GALLUP POLL

Many Doubt Oswald Acted Alone

By GEORGE GALLUP

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"Do you think one man was responsible for the assassination of President Kennedy, or do you think others were involved?"

LATEST RESULTS

Here are the latest results, compared with the earlier findings:

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Others involved, uncertainty	64	71

This further question was asked in the latest survey:

"Do you think there should be another investigation into the assassination of President Kennedy?"

The public votes down this proposal by a 2-to-1 margin:

Another Investigation?

Yes	32%
No	63
No opinion	5

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"There are too many unanswered questions. I feel that Oswald was guilty, but the investigation was held when the whole country was emotionally upset. It's time to review this whole thing."

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"I feel all respect should be given to the man's family. He is gone and no investigation will bring him back."

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